REMARKS

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's attention to the above referenced application. Claims 1-4, 6-10, and 12-17 were rejected. Claims 1, 7, and 12 are amended. Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12-17 are now pending, of which claims 1, 10, and 18 are independent.

Claims 1, 3, 6, 7, 9, and 12-16 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Blume (US 2004/0021648).

Independent claims 1, 7, and 12 have been amended to more particularly recite the present invention. Specifically, the limitation reciting executing complex logic behavior based on previous inputs to the computer from a user has been deleted. The limitation reciting wherein performing the action comprises reading an action identifier uniquely associated with the selected action from an action library, actions being classified into groups with each group comprising a dynamic link library (DLL), and calling an application program interface (API) corresponding to the action identifier, the actions including at least one of adjusting volume of a speaker, adjusting brightness of a computer monitor, and powering off the computer system, remains. Blume does not disclose or suggest the remaining limitation. Therefore, claims 1, 7, and 12 are allowable as currently presented, as well as all claims dependent therefrom.

Claims 2 and 8 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Blume in view of Wood (US 6,414,673).

Dependent claims 2 and 8 depend from allowable independent claims 1 and 7, respectively. Therefore, they are also allowable.

Claims 4, 10, and 17 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Blume in view of Amano (US 2004/0119696).

Dependent claims 4, 10 and 17 depend from allowable independent claims 1, 7, and 12. Therefore, they are also allowable.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the remarks and amendments set forth above. If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (480) 715-3681. Please charge any shortage of fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 50-0221 and please credit any excess fees to such account.

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